

# **NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION**

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

The mission of the Natural Resources Commission is to provide leadership in the responsible management and use of the natural and cultural resources of Indiana, consistent with directives made by the Governor and the Indiana General Assembly.

The Commission is committed to the following:

- facilitating receipt of professional opinions and comments from the public at large for incorporation into decision-making responsibilities;
- overseeing a dispute resolution process fully capable of rendering full and fair determinations of disputes when necessary, but which also encourages parties to reach resolution through mediation when appropriate;
- in coordination with the Director, developing policy for the management of the activities and facilities of the Department of Natural Resources; and
- directing the development of rules and nonrule policy documents that clearly and faithfully implement statutory pronouncements.